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In re Application of:

QIN, ET AL.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction/Election mailed September 21, 2001 and the Communication mailed February 14, 2002, Applicants request further examination in light of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-21 are pending in the present application. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present claims in view of the following remarks.

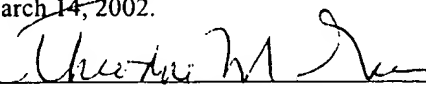
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Restriction Requirement

The Office Action requires restriction between the following groups of claims:

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